

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Donald J. DALTON *et al.*

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For: AUTOMATED ICE BAGGING APPARATUS
AND METHODS

Attorney Docket No.: 81901-4000

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

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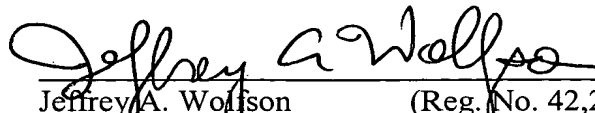
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